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Properly Disposing of Paint Booth Filters

The Division of Compliance Assistance (DCA) in the course of working with various businesses has noticed an area of concern when dealing with paint booth filters. Many businesses within the state spray coat or paint many types of products ranging from wood and metal to plastic. Federal and state air quality regulations require control of the overspray from these activities. Typically, paint booth filters are used to control the overspray and can become a waste at the end of their life cycle. It is important to understand that the business or generator is responsible for properly determining if the paint booth filters are a hazardous waste and disposing of them properly. For more information on hazardous waste, please visit the Division of Waste Management's Web site.

What Did You Do to Celebrate National P2 Week?

National Pollution Prevention Week was Sept. 15-21, 2008. Pollution prevention (P2) in its simplest terms means not creating waste in the first place. According to the National Pollution Prevention Roundtable, P2 Week is the time when businesses, environmental groups and citizens can join forces for a common cause. By sharing information about pollution prevention, businesses can become more competitive and lower operating costs. Individuals can also save money on monthly utility bills. In Kentucky, the Kentucky Pollution Prevention Center is a resource for pollution prevention and energy efficiency information.

New Fact Sheet on Properly

DCA Programs



Are you doing great things for the environment? Do you participate in voluntary environmental events? Does your workplace go above and beyond regulatory requirements? If you answered yes, then KY EXCEL is a program for you. KY EXCEL is a voluntary environmental leadership program where you can meet and interact with Kentucky's environmental leaders.



The Operator Certification Program trains and certifies wastewater and drinking water system operators to ensure that these environmental professionals are qualified and prepared to properly treat and protect Kentucky's water resources.



The Kentucky Brownfield Program Recycling the Commonwealth

The <u>Brownfields Program</u> helps communities and property owners identify meaningful solutions that encourage the cleanup and redevelopment of underused, contaminated properties.

Disposing of Storm Debris

Following a severe weather event, many businesses, individuals and organizations may not know how to properly dispose of storm debris or what resources are available to help with managing storm debris. To meet this need, the Department for Environmental Protection has just released a new fact sheet on properly disposing of storm debris.

Exhibit Now: Space Is Limited for the Governor's Conference on the Environment!

Do you have a product or service that is environmentally beneficial or friendly? If so, the 32nd Annual Governor's Conference on the Environment, to be held Oct. 6-7, 2008, at the Lexington Convention Center, is a great opportunity to showcase your product or services. You can register online or contact Natalie Jensen at 502-564-2150.



Environmental laws can often be confusing and challenging. The Environmental Compliance Assistance Program helps regulated entities understand and comply with environmental obligations, advocates for entities underrepresented in the regulatory process and facilitates moving "beyond" compliance to environmental leadership.

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